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INCLUSION OF CITIES IN MEGA CITY SCHEME
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a revised proposal has been formulated by the Government of Gujarat to the Union Government for the inclusion of four cities in the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Infrastructure Development in Mega cities keeping in view the introduction of a new scheme in which cities having a population of more than 10 lakhs can be included in the said scheme for development;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Karnataka has also forwarded a proposal to grant mega city status to Bellary;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Union Government on the above proposals?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The State Government has proposed for inclusion of Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Surat and Rajkot in the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Infrastructure Development in Mega Cities.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): There is a proposal to set up a National Urban Renewal Mission (NURM) for infrastructure development and provision of basic services in select cities/towns. The existing scheme for infrastructure development for mega cities shall be subsumed in the NURM. Details of the scheme have not been finalised.